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Applicant: Christine Decaria

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Examiner: Cris Loiren Rodriguez

For: Connector with Protrusion Adapted for
Interconnection with Second Member

Confirmation No. 8032

Letter to Examiner:

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This letter is submitted on behalf of the Applicant and subsequent to the undersigned's telephone conversation with Examiner Cris Loiren Rodriguez on Monday, September 19, 2005 in connection with the subject patent application. By way of background, an Office Action having a mailing date of February 23, 2005 requiring an election of species was directed to the Applicant. The Applicant's Response to the Office Action, a copy of which is attached for your reference, was transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office's Centralized Facsimile number on March 22, 2005. Also attached for the Examiner's reference is a copy of the Auto-Reply generated from the Centralized Facsimile number which acknowledged receipt of the Response.

By way of explanation, Examiner Rodriguez had contacted the undersigned to request a status on the Applicant's response to the Office Action, having observed that a Response was not found in the application's files at the Patent Office. Upon further examination of the documents submitted, it was determined that the Applicant had inadvertently transposed the last three digits of the application's serial number on the facsimile transmission cover sheet. This unintentional error had caused the Response to be placed in the wrong file at the Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicant respectfully submits that a proper Response to the Office Action mailed on February 23, 2005 has been timely filed in view of the above explanation and the accompanying documents.

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The undersigned may be reached at 770-587-8621.

Respectfully submitted,

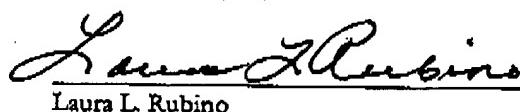


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